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9	NORTHERN DISTRIC	T OF CALIFORNIA	
10	DISCOVER BANK, a Delaware Financial Institution, and DISCOVER FINANCIAL	CASE NO. C-05-01622 JCS	
11	SERVICES, INC., a Delaware Corporation.	ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE	
12	Plaintiffs,	DEFENSES OF FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY	
13	vs.	DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL	
14	FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, an Indiana Corporation	Complaint Filed: April 19, 2005	
15	Defendant.	Complaint Flied. April 19, 2003	
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17 18 19	COMES NOW Defendant FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY ("Federal" or "Defendant"), by and through its counsel of record, and hereby responds to Plaintiffs		
20	DISCOVER BANK and DISCOVER FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.'s (collectively		
21	"Plaintiffs" or "Discover") Complaint for: (1) De	eclaratory Relief; (2) Breach of Contract; and	
22	(3) Breach of the Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing ("Complaint") and admits, denies		
23	and alleges as follows:		
24	1. In response to paragraph 1 of the Complaint, Federal admits that Discover has		
25	filed a complaint against Federal. Federal also admits that it issued insurance policies to		
26	Plaintiffs ("Federal Policies"). As to the remaining allegations in paragraph 1 of the Complaint,		
27	Federal denies the same.		
28	2. In response to paragraph 2 of the C	Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information	
_0	to admit or deny the allegations contained therein	and, therefore, denies the same.	
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3. In response to paragraph 3 of the Complaint, Federal admits that it issued insurance policies to Discover. In addition, Federal states that the insurance policies speak for themselves and that to the extent the allegations in paragraph 3 are legal argument Federal is not required to respond. As to the remaining allegations in paragraph 3, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the remaining allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.

PARTIES

- 4. In response to paragraph 4 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
- 5. In response to paragraph 5 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
 - 6. In response to paragraph 6 of the Complaint, admit.

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- 7. In response to paragraph 7 of the Complaint, admit.
- 8. In response to paragraph 8 of the Complaint, admit.

INTRADISTRICT ASSIGNMENT

9. In response to paragraph 9 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that the claim was reviewed by Federal's Pleasanton, California office but denies to the extent that Plaintiffs' allegations are meant to be exhaustive. Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the other allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

A. The Federal Policies

10. In response to paragraph 10 of the Complaint, Federal admits that it sold the referenced insurance policies to Morgan Stanley and that Discover Bank and Discovery Financial Services are named insureds on the Federal Policies. As to the remaining allegations in paragraph 10, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations and, therefore, denies the same.

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- 11. In response to paragraph 11 of the Complaint, Federal states that the insurance policies speak for themselves and that to the extent the allegations in paragraph 11 are legal argument to which Federal is not required to respond.
- In response to paragraph 12 of the Complaint, Federal states that the insurance 12. policies speak for themselves and that to the extent the allegations in paragraph 12 are legal argument to which Federal is not required to respond.
- 13. In response to paragraph 13 of the Complaint, Federal states that the insurance policies speak for themselves and that to the extent the allegations in paragraph 13 are legal argument to which Federal is not required to respond. Federal admits that the insurance policies define the term "customer injury" but Federal denies that Discover provides the complete definition of that term.
- 14. In response to paragraph 14 of the Complaint, Federal states that the insurance policies speak for themselves and that to the extent the allegations in paragraph 14 are legal argument to which Federal is not required to respond. Federal admits that the insurance policies define the term "advertising injury" but Federal denies that Discover provides the complete definition of that term.
- In response to paragraph 15 of the Complaint, Federal states that the insurance 15. policies speak for themselves.
- In response to paragraph 16 of the Complaint, Federal states that the insurance 16. policies speak for themselves.
- 17. In response to paragraph 17 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
- 18. In response to paragraph 18 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.

В. **The Shakib Litigation**

19. In response to paragraph 19 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.

- 20. In response to paragraph 20 of the Complaint, Federal admits that there was a complaint filed against Discover ("Shakib Complaint"), but lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the remaining allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
- 21. In response to paragraph 21 of the Complaint, Federal admits that the Shakib Complaint alleges the referenced causes of action but lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the remaining allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
- 22. In response to paragraph 22 of the Complaint, Federal admits that the Shakib Complaint contains the referenced allegations but denies that the referenced allegations are a complete or comprehensive list of the allegations in the Shakib Complaint.
- 23. In response to paragraph 23 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
- 24. In response to paragraph 24 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
- 25. In response to paragraph 25 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
- 26. In response to paragraph 26 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
- 27. In response to paragraph 27 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
- 28. In response to paragraph 28 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
 - 29. In response to paragraph 29 of the Complaint, admit.
- 30. In response to paragraph 30 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.

C. The Claims Process

31. In response to paragraph 31 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that Discover has requested that Federal defend and indemnify Discover in connection with the Shakib Complaint. Federal denies all the remaining allegations in paragraph 31.

- 32. In response to paragraph 32 of the Complaint, Federal admits that its Pleasanton office has been involved in the handling of this claim. Federal denies all the remaining allegations in paragraph 32.
- 33. In response to paragraph 33 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that it sent a letter to Discover on September 10, 2004. The September 10, 2004 letter speaks for itself and Federal denies the characterizations made by Discover in paragraph 33.
- 34. In response to paragraph 34 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that the September 10 letter references California Civil Code Section 2860 and statutory rates for personal counsel. The September 10 letter speaks for itself and Federal denies the other characterizations made by Discover in paragraph 34.
- 35. In response to paragraph 35 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that it sent a letter to Discover on October 13, 2004. The October 13, 2004 letter speaks for itself and Federal denies the characterizations made by Discover in paragraph 35.
- 36. In response to paragraph 36 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that the October 13, 2004 letter includes a declination of coverage and that one of the grounds for denial was a failure of Discover to provide timely notice. Federal denies all remaining allegations in paragraph 36.
- 37. In response to paragraph 37 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that the October 13 letter includes form language that the insured may seek review with the California Department of Insurance. Federal denies all remaining allegations in paragraph 37.
 - 38. In response to paragraph 38 of the Complaint, admit.
- 39. In response to paragraph 39 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that the referenced endorsement is contained in the Federal Policies. Paragraph 38 does not reference all endorsements or relevant policy provisions.
- 40. In response to paragraph 40 of the Complaint, Federal lacks sufficient information to admit or deny the allegations contained therein and, therefore, denies the same.
 - 41. In response to paragraph 41 of the Complaint, deny.

THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF 1 (Breach of Contract: Duty to Defend) 2 In response to paragraph 55 of the Complaint, Federal reasserts its responses to 55. 3 paragraphs 1-54 of the Complaint as set forth above. 4 In response to paragraph 56 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that the 56. 5 insurance policies at issue are legal and binding contracts and that Federal has duties under the 6 contracts. Federal denies all remaining allegations in paragraph 56. 7 In response to paragraph 57 of the Complaint, deny. 57. 8 In response to paragraph 58 of the Complaint, deny. 58. 9 FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF 10 (Breach of Contract: Duty to Indemnify) 11 In response to paragraph 59 of the Complaint, Federal reasserts its responses to 59. 12 paragraphs 1-58 of the Complaint as set forth above. 13 In response to paragraph 60 of the Complaint, Federal admits only that the 60. 14 insurance policies at issue are legal and binding contracts and that Federal has duties under the 15 contracts. Federal denies all remaining allegations in paragraph 60. 16 In response to paragraph 61 of the Complaint, deny. 61. 17 In response to paragraph 62 of the Complaint, deny. 62. 18 FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF 19 (Breach of the Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing) 20 In response to paragraph 63 of the Complaint, Federal reasserts its responses to 63. 21 paragraph 1-62 of the Complaint as set forth above. 22 In response to paragraph 64 of the Complaint, admit. 64. 23 In response to paragraph 65 of the Complaint, deny. 65. 24 In response to paragraph 66 of the Complaint, deny. 66. 25 /// 26 27 /// 28

<u>AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES</u> 1 FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 2 (Failure to State a Claim) 3 Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent that Plaintiffs have failed to 4 state a claim against Defendant upon which relief may be granted. 5 SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 6 (Failure to State Facts) 7 Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent that Plaintiffs have failed to 8 state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against Defendant. 9 THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 10 (Statutes of Limitation) 11 Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent the applicable statutes of 12 limitations have expired. 13 FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 14 (Statute of Limitations) 15 Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the applicable statute of limitations, including, but not 16 limited to, the statute of limitations set forth in California Code of Civil Procedure Section 337. 17 FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 18 (Statute of Limitations) 19 Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the applicable statute of limitations, including, but not 20 limited to, the statutes of limitations set forth in California Code of Civil Procedure Section 339. 21 SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 22 (Statute of Limitations) 23 Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the applicable statute of limitations, including, but not 24 limited to, any limitations contained in the applicable agreements between Plaintiffs and Federal. 25 /// 26 27 28

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SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Laches)

Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent the doctrine of laches applies.

<u>EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE</u>

(Waiver)

Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent the doctrine of waiver applies.

NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(No Consent)

Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent that Plaintiffs seek reimbursement or indemnity coverage for monetary obligations assumed or monies paid without securing Defendant's consent.

TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Legal Action)

Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent that Plaintiffs have failed to comply with the requirements of the Federal Policies that Plaintiffs comply with all the terms of the Federal Policies and the precedent requirements for bringing legal action against Defendant as stated by the Federal Policies.

ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Contributory Negligence of Third Parties)

Any and all alleged injuries and/or damages complained of in the Complaint, if any, were proximately caused by or contributed to by the negligent and/or wrongful conduct of Plaintiffs and/or third parties, all of which contributed to, or entirely caused Plaintiffs' alleged damages. Therefore, the alleged damages should be reduced by the percentage of the fault of Plaintiffs and/or third parties.

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TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 1 (Performance of Contractual Obligation) 2 Defendant asserts that to the extent it was required to perform any duty or discharge any 3 obligation under contract or operation of law, any such duty or obligation has been performed, 4 discharged, excused, or rendered impossible or impractical to perform by Plaintiffs or other 5 persons or entities. 6 THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 7 (Collateral Estoppel/Res Judicata) 8 Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, based on the doctrines of collateral 9 estoppel and/or res judicata. 10 11 FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 12 (No Covered Damages) 13 Plaintiffs have suffered no covered damage. 14 FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 15 (Estoppel) 16 Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent the doctrine of estoppel 17 applies. 18 SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 19 (Unclean Hands) 20 Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent the doctrine of unclean 21 hands applies. 22 SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 23 (Not Within Policy Period) 24 Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent Plaintiffs seek sums associated with damage, or 25 injury caused by an offense, that took place prior to the commencement or after the expiration of 26 the Federal Policies' policy period. 27 /// 28 10

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1	EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
2	(Failure to Mitigate)	
3	Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent that Plaintiffs failed to	
4	exercise reasonable diligence to mitigate their damages.	
5	NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
6	(Other Insurance)	
7	Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, by any "other insurance" provisions in	
8	the Federal Policies.	
9	<u>TWENTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE</u>	
10	(Failure to Perform Obligations)	
11	Plaintiffs' claims are barred on the basis that Plaintiffs failed to perform their obligation	
12	under the terms of the Federal Policies issued by Defendant, thereby excusing Defendant's	
13	performance.	
14	TWENTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
15	(Policy Provisions)	
16	Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, pursuant to the terms, provisions	
17	definitions, conditions, exclusions, endorsements, and limitations set forth in the Feder	
18	Policies.	
19	TWENTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
20	(Economic Loss)	
2122	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent the claims alleged arise from an uncovered	
23	economic loss.	
24	TWENTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
25	(Violation of Law/Public Policy)	
26	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that Plaintiffs' acts or failure to act that gav	
27	rise to the claims referenced in the Complaint were in violation of law and/or public policy.	
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1	TWENTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
2	(Non-Accumulation)
3	To the extent there is coverage, the limits of insurance are limited by the Federal
4	Policies' Non-Accumulation of Limits of Insurance Endorsement.
5	TWENTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
6	(Untimely Notice)
7	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that Plaintiffs failed to give Defendant proper
8	and timely notice as is required under the Federal Policies.
9	TWENTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
10	(Notice/Prejudice)
11	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that Plaintiffs' failure to give Defendant
12	proper and timely notice caused actual prejudice to Defendant.
13	TWENTY-SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
14	(Contractual Liability Exclusion)
15	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent Plaintiffs seek recovery for purported liability
16	assumed pursuant to contract, lease or any other agreement.
17	TWENTY-EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
18	(Limits of Liability)
19	The Federal Policies contain various limits of liability. In the event Federal is found t
20	have any liability, which Federal denies, said liability would be restricted to the remaining an
21	applicable policy limits.
22	TWENTY-NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
23	(Intentional Act)
24	Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent Plaintiffs seek coverage for
25	any losses arising out of their intentional, willful, fraudulent, or illegal conduct.
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1	THIRTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
2	(Insurance Code)	
3	Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, by California Insurance Code Sections	
4	22 and 250.	
5	THIRTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
6	(Non-Contingent Claim)	
7	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent Plaintiffs seek recovery of sums incurred by	
8	Plaintiffs for liability arising from an event, act, occurrence, loss or claim that was not fortuitous	
9	was in progress, or was not contingent at or before the time the Federal Policies were issued.	
10	THIRTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
11	(No Covered Cause of Loss)	
12	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent Plaintiffs suffered no covered cause of loss as	
13	that term is defined by the Federal Policies.	
14	THIRTY -THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
15	(Cooperation Clause)	
16	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent Plaintiffs failed to comply with the Federa	
17	Policies' policy condition requiring that the insured cooperate in the investigation, settlement and	
18	defense of the suit.	
19	THIRTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
20	(Known Losses)	
21	Plaintiffs' claims are barred in whole or in part to the extent the claims alleged	
22	constituted losses known at the time of the inception of the Federal Policies.	
23	THIRTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
24	(Failure to Mitigate Damages)	
25	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent Plaintiffs failed to act reasonably on their own	
26	behalf to minimize, avoid or otherwise mitigate damages.	
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1	THIRTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
2	(Failure to Disclose)	
3	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that any insured misrepresented, concealed or	
4	failed to disclose facts or other information relevant to the issuance of the Federal Policies.	
5	THIRTY-SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
6	(Good Faith)	
7	Plaintiffs' claim for Breach of the Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing is barred	
8	because Federal has acted reasonably and in good faith throughout the relevant time period.	
9	THIRTY-EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
10	(Voluntary Payments Provision)	
11	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that Plaintiffs seek recovery of monetary	
12	obligations assumed or expenses incurred by Plaintiffs without Defendant's consent, as is	
13	required under the Federal Policies.	
14	THIRTY-NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
15	(Pre-Tender Expenses)	
16	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that Plaintiffs seek recovery of pre-tende	
17	expenses, including attorneys' fees.	
18	FORTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
19	(Policy Exclusions)	
20	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that any exclusion contained in the Federa	
21	Policies forms a basis for non-coverage of the claim.	
22	FORTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
23	(Unenumerated Torts)	
24	Plaintiffs' claims are barred, in whole or in part, to the extent that the Federal Policies'	
25	exclusions bar coverage for unenumerated torts.	
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1	FORTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
2	(No Advertising Injury)	
3	Plaintiffs' claims are barred because there was no "advertising injury" as defined by the	
4	Federal Policies.	
5	FORTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
6	(No Personal Injury)	
7	Plaintiffs' claims are barred because there was no "personal injury" as defined by the	
8	Federal Policies.	
9	FORTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
10	(No Bodily Injury)	
11	Plaintiffs' claims are barred because there was no "bodily injury" as defined by the	
12	Federal Policies.	
13	FORTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
14	(No Property Damage)	
15	Plaintiffs' claims are barred because there was no "property damage" as defined by the	
16	Federal Policies.	
17	FORTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
18	(No Customer Injury)	
19	Plaintiffs' claims are barred because there was no "customer injury" as defined by the	
20	Federal Policies.	
21	FORTY-SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
22	(Customer Injury Exclusion)	
23	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that any alleged personal injury is precluded	
24	by the "customer injury" exclusion.	
25	FORTY-EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
26	(Prior Acts)	
27	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent the Federal Policies' "prior acts" exclusion	
28	applies.	
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1	FORTY-NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
2	(Expected or Intended Injury)	
3	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent the Federal Policies' "expected or intended	
4	injury" exclusion applies.	
5	<u>FIFTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE</u>	
6	(Equitable Remedies)	
7	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent that Plaintiffs seek coverage for the costs	
8	incurred to comply with orders issued by the court for injunctive relief, disgorgement of	
9	profits, restitution or other similar equitable remedies.	
10	FIFTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
11	(Bodily Injury/Occurrence)	
12	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent they seek "bodily injury" damages not caused	
13	by an "occurrence" as required by the Federal Policies.	
14	FIFTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
15	(Property Damage/Occurrence)	
16	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent they seek damages for "property damage" not	
17	caused by an "occurrence" as required by the Federal Policies.	
18	FIFTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
19	(No Publication)	
20	Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent providing and/or sale of personal financial	
21	information do no constitute a "publication."	
22	FIFTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
23	(Supplemental Payment)	
24	To the extent the Federal Policies are triggered, Federal may elect to reimburse	
25	supplementary payments rather than defend.	
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FIFTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 1 (Breach of Contract) 2 Plaintiffs' claims are barred to the extent the Federal Policies' "breach of contract" 3 exclusion applies. 4 FIFTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 5 6 (Additional Defenses) 7 Defendant specifically reserves its right to assert further and additional affirmative 8 defenses and policy defenses based upon information that may be provided in discovery or other 9 investigation in the course of this litigation. 10 11 WHEREFORE, having fully answered Plaintiffs' Complaint and having asserted its 12 affirmative defenses thereto, Defendant respectfully prays for judgment against Plaintiffs as 13 follows: 14 That Plaintiffs take nothing by reason of their Complaint on file herein; 1. 15 2. That the Complaint be ordered dismissed with prejudice; 16 3. That the Court, adjudge, determine, and decree that Defendant is entitled 17 to its costs and disbursements in this action, including, but not limited to, 18 reasonable attorneys' fees; and 19 For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper. 4. 20 21 TRESSLER SODERSTROM MALONEY & PRIESS Date: July 12, 2005 22 23 24 25 Paul S. White, Esq. Evan B. Sorensen, Esq. 26 Rina Carmel, Esq. Attorneys for Defendant FEDERAL INSURANCE 27 COMPANY 28 17

1	DEM	AND FOR JURY TRIAL
2	Defendant FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY hereby demands a jury trial a	
3	provided by Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.	
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5	Date: July 12, 2005	TRESSLER SODERSTROM MALONEY & PRIESS
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